

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/073,895	TANAKA ET AL.	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
	Barbara Summons	2817	

All Participants:

Status of Application: _____

(1) Barbara Summons.

(3) _____.

(2) Mr. Thomas E. Brown.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 9/1/04 and 9/2/04

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

Discussed possible new rejections based on the IDS received 6/29/04

Claims discussed:

8 and 18

Prior art documents discussed:

Saw et al. U.S. 5,835,990

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

Barbara Summons

**BARBARA SUMMONS
PRIMARY EXAMINER**

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Initially, it was discussed that the Examiner could not identify the U.S. reference to Saw et al. because the Patent number given on the IDS of 6/29/04 must be incorrect. The correct Patent number U.S. 5,835,990 was supplied by Applicants, and the Examiner determined that Fig. 7 of Saw et al. anticipated previously indicated allowable claim 8 and rendered claim 18 obvious in combination with other art of record. On 9/1/04 Applicants agreed to cancel claims 8 and 18, which is done by the accompanying Examiner's Amendment, while reserving the right to prosecute those claims in a continuing application..